WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A camera device comprising:

an optical system;

a driving unit which drives the optical system; and

a control unit which makes the driving unit start driving of the optical system to a predetermined state by an initialization of the optical system, before other initializations than the initialization of the optical system, when the camera device is started up in a state in which an operation mode for photographing is set.

2. The camera device according to claim 1, further comprising a memory which stores a control program for the camera device, and

wherein the control unit reads a program for startup which is required for the initialization of the optical system from the memory and reads a control program other than the program for startup from the memory after making the driving unit start driving of the optical system to the predetermined state by an execution of the program for startup.

3. The camera device according to claim 1, wherein the memory stores other control programs continuously after the program for startup.

4. The camera device according to claim 2, wherein the control unit reads the control program

except for the program for startup from the memory without waiting for an end of the driving of the optical system to the predetermined state.

5. The camera device according to claim 4, wherein the memory stores other control programs continuously after the program for startup.

6. The camera device according to claim 1, wherein said optical system comprises a sinkable lens.

7. A method for starting a camera device comprising an optical system, the method comprising:

determining whether or not the an operation mode for photographing is set; and

starting driving of the optical system to a predetermined state by an initialization of the optical system, before other initializations than the initialization of the optical system, when it is determined that the operation mode for photographing is set.

8. The method according to claim 7, wherein said optical system comprises a sinkable lens.

9. A computer program for a camera device comprising an optical system and a driving unit which drives the optical system, the program being stored in a computer readable medium, and the program comprising:

determining whether or not the an operation mode for photographing is set; and

starting driving of the optical system to

a predetermined state by an initialization of the optical system, before other initializations than the initialization of the optical system, when it is determined that the operation mode for photographing is

5   set.

10.   The computer program according to claim 9, wherein said optical system comprises a sinkable lens.